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1. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar
2. Mr. C. K. Nayar
3. Mr. C. V. Iyyu
4. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan
5. Mr. M. L. Joseph
6. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar
7. Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon
8. Mr. M. K. Devassy
9. Mr. P. Achyuta Menon
10. Mr. T. P. Poulose
11. Mr. K. S. Panicker
12. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim
13. Mr. K. Ashtamurthi Nambudiripad
14. Mr. C. Kunhan Nambudiripad
15. Mr. C. N. Ittiravi Nambudiri
16. Mr. B. M. Peter
17. Mr. K. R. Achuthan
18. Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar
19. Mr. K. R. Ramakrishnan
20. Mr. N. V. Subbarayan Chetty
21. Mr. C. K. S. Moni
22. Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar
23. Mr. P. V. Raphael
24. Rama Varmha Tampuran
25. Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu
26. Mr. C. J. Mathew
27. Mr. T. K. Nayar
28. Mr. M. Raman Menon
29. Mr. T. Narayana Menon
30. Mr. M. Sivarama Menon
32. Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon
32. Mr. K. Karunakaran Nayar
33. Rao Sahib I. N. Menon
34. Khan Sahib Y. Mohammad Roshan Sahib

Deputy President: 34 against 8. The motion is therefore lost.

Neutrals

1. Mr. A. Eachara Menon
2. Mr. N. Govinda Pai
3. Mr. S. S. Koder
4. Mr. V. K. Kutty
5. Mr. P. K. Krishnan

CUT MOTION No. 3

Working of the Government of Cochin Act, XX of 1113

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* I rise to move "*the reduction of the allotment of Rs. 6,000 for the Minister's salary by Re. 1 and it is to call attention to the unsatisfactory way in which Government is working the Government of Cochin Act, XX of 1113*". Much has been said regarding one part, regarding the disqualification and office of profit. There are other disqualifications under section 16 (1) and those disqualifications are there particularly in (f) and in the rules whereby disqualified names of voters must be removed. Rule 5 (2). Now in reading the report of the Commissioners the Government is bound under rule 37 of the Legislative Council rules to publish the report of the Commissioners in the Gazette and to order accordingly.

Point of Order

Mr. T. P. Poulose *(Kanayannur):* On a point of order. I thought the object of this cut motion was to discuss some policy of the Minister. Now what he has stated is not with regard to the policy of the Minister but with regard to the other part of the Government. So, the discussion, if it is a cut on the Minister's salary, must be on some issue connected with the policy of the Minister or some action of the Minister. If it is the policy of the other part of the Government, it must come under some other head.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* It is only the Minister's salary that is votable. The Diwan's salary is not votable and under the Government of Cochin Act, we can cut the salary of any one within that Government whether it is the Minister or a transferred subject or a reserved subject and give out our points as against Government as a whole. If this point of order is held to be correct, there will be no possibility of discussing anything. You can say 'don't discuss the transferred subjects.' That will be absurd in my view. If the Chair will rule I will accept. In all matters of Government and political matters connected with this House, the Minister and the Government will act in unision and in combination to keep up the dignity of this House. The Minister sits in this House, the Government sits in this Court and if we are discussing the working of the Government of Cochin Act, are we to have a division in this? I do not think that it is in order. We have no reference to make regarding the Minister.

Deputy President: Have you to make any reference regarding the policy of the Minister?

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Yes. The policy of the Minister in keeping silent and not guiding the Government to grant our wishes.

Mr. T. P. Poulose *(Kanayannur):* Is it a tenable position that for every act of the Government, the Minister is held responsible?

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Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli)*: A most absurd proposal.

Deputy President: Your cut motion is out of order.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri)*: The Hon'ble Member Mr. Viswambharan must withdraw what he said. If he does not withdraw that word, I will give him a word in return.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli)*: I withdraw. *(Laughter)*.

CUT MOTION No. 4

Expansion of the Ministry

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: Sir, I rise *to omit the allotment of Rs. 6,000 for Minister for Rural Development.* My motion runs as follows: *"What is required is not one Minister but a Council of Ministers, responsible to the legislature, with due safeguard for the protection of the minorities and for carrying out treaty obligations with the crown".*

Point of Order

Mr. T. P. Poulose *(Kanayannur)*: On a point of order. The subject of the cut motion is this. What is required is not one Minister, but a Council of Ministers responsible to the legislature, with due safeguards, etc. That has nothing to do with the policy of the Minister, or any of his actions. And the cut is to omit the whole salary. When there is a cut motion on the Minister's salary, the subject that can be discussed is the Minister's policy or his action.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: He has nothing to say against the Minister. He is against the Ministry.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: I don't want to give him any salary.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli)*: One thing has to be pointed out. With regard to the subject-matter of the discussion, there are many members of this party who are in agreement with the other members for the expansion of the ministry and for the expansion of the reforms. But we cannot vote for the omission of the whole allotment because we are in full agreement with the extension of the constitutional reforms. We cannot vote for the omission of the Rs. 6,000.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur)*: According to me, there is nothing wrong in the cut motion. There is only one issue, whether we have to scrap the present constitution, if there is not full responsible government.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: My point is we do not want this Minister, this diarchy. If that Minister is gone, there will be no diarchy. If there is no salary, there will be no minister. Even in the year 1113, when His Highness the Maharaja allowed this reform, I was against this. But since His Highness the Maharaja was pleased to grant the reforms, I accepted the same. That is all. Even then I said that. The working of the diarchy system is hopeless.

Deputy President: The wording of the cut motion will not convey your intention. You want to have a number of ministers. Still there will be a reserved half.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: My point is, I don't want one minister.

Deputy President: The cut motion as it is does not convey what you mean.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Trichur-North)*: Briefly it is stated. In his speech he will develop all the points. It is impossible to put all his points. He wants a number of ministers. He will develop his ideas, that Diwan is not necessary, the whole thing must be placed on a democratic basis—all this he will develop.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri)*: I am only saying that if discussion is prevented by raising points of order from the other side, before the subject is examined and placed before the House, then that will serve no purpose.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi)*: The suggestion was only to make the point clear.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri)*: I will get many other chances to come again, if that is going to be the policy of the other side.

Mr. T. P. Poulose *(Kanayannur)*: It is not this side that gives the ruling. It is the Chair.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: Apart from all these irrelevant matters, let us come to the point. There is one Minister. We don't want one Minister. I am making an alternate suggestion. It is very difficult to manage with one Minister. He is sitting there all alone. There is nobody to give him help. If he follows the advice of people sitting round him and behind him he is doomed. There is no non-official member there. If there is a Council of two or three Ministers, they can mutually discuss matters and come to a conclusion. Nobody under

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